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1. The Soviet military headquarters in Rumania are in the former Hotel Regina Maria at Baile Herculane. There are many Soviets in the town. The area is restricted and Soviet guards with blue shoulder boards stop all foot and automobile traffic to examine the necessary special passes.
2. The restricted area in Turnu Severin is bounded on the south by the Danube River; on the west by a straight line from Kladova, Yugoslavia, north to a point 800 meters north of Bresnita; on the north by the northern border of Bresnita as far as the Topolnita River; and on the east by the Topolnita River.
3. The 17 Artillery Regiment is at Daia, 10 kilometers north of Giurgiu, although its regular station is Bucharest. The regiment consists of sections of three batteries each. Batteries have 100 to 120 men, and six horse-drawn mountain howitzers of Soviet type. The commanding officer is Colonel Ionel Gracian. The soldiers wear shoulder boards decorated in bright red. It has been reported that the regiment will be detailed as artillery for 9 Infantry Division.
4. On 5 December 1952 a military train consisting of 25 cars was observed at the station of Valea-Rosie, about 55 kilometers southeast of Bucharest. The train contained a section of the 11 Rumanian Cavalry Regiment from the Oltenita garrison. Members of the regiment said they were going to the Yugoslav border to relieve the 2 Cavalry Regiment.

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